

Amendments

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.121 and 37 CFR §1.116, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as set forth below.

1.(Previously Presented) A suspension article, comprising:

a frame;

a substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid integrally formed with a pair of attachment strips, wherein said grid has a first pre-stretched grid configuration and a second stretched grid configuration, said second stretched grid configuration having a first position and a second position;

a plurality of fasteners attaching said second stretched grid configuration of said uniplaner, non-woven grid to said frame through said attachment strips; and

an actuator operatively connected to at least one of said attachment strips, wherein said actuator moves said second stretched grid configuration between said first position and said second position.

2.(Original) A suspension article according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of fasteners is a pair of J-strip fasteners integrally formed with said attachment strips.

3.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 1, wherein said substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid comprises closely-spaced primary members and points of intersection, said closely-spaced primary members being connected by said points of intersection, said primary members being integrally formed with said points of intersection in said first pre-stretched grid configuration and being stretched between said attachment strips in

said second stretched grid configuration; said attachment strips having substantially the same configuration in said second stretched grid configuration as when integrally formed with said grid in said first pre-stretched grid configuration.

4.(Original) A suspension article according to claim 3 wherein said points of intersection are in line between said attachment strips, thereby forming a plurality of ribs substantially perpendicular to said closely-spaced primary members.

5.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 1 wherein said attachment strips are selected from a group of pre-stretched border element configurations consisting of a pre-stretched grid section, an embedded-wire section, a flat and wide section, and a J-strip section.

6.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 1, wherein each of said attachment strips is comprised of a pre-stretched elastomeric grid section having a plurality of primary members and points of intersection therebetween.

7.(Original) A suspension article according to claim 1, wherein each of said attachment strips has a wire embedded therein.

8.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 1, wherein said frame is installed in a piece of furniture.

9.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 1, wherein said actuator further comprises a bowden cable, said bowden cable having an unsheathed bowden cable section connecting said frame to at least one of said attachment strips and a sheathed bowden cable section connecting said frame to said actuator.

10.(Previously Presented) A suspension article, comprising:
a frame; and

a substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid integrally formed with a pair of J-strip fasteners, said grid having a first pre-stretched configuration and a second stretched configuration, said J-strip fasteners attaching said second stretched configuration of said grid to said frame.

11.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 10, further comprising an actuator operatively connected to at least one of said J-strip fasteners, wherein said actuator moves said second stretched grid configuration between a first position and a second position.

12.(Original) A suspension article according to claim 10, wherein said substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid comprises closely-spaced primary members and points of intersection, said closely-spaced primary members being connected by said points of intersection.

13.(Original) A suspension article according to claim 12 wherein said points of intersection are in line between said J-strip fasteners, thereby forming a plurality of ribs substantially perpendicular to said closely-spaced primary members.

14.(Original) A suspension article according to claim 12 wherein said points of intersection are located at said J-strip fasteners.

15.(Previously Presented) A suspension article, comprising:

a frame;

a substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid integrally formed with a pair of attachment strips, each of said attachment strips having an embedded wire and said grid having a first pre-stretched configuration and a second stretched configuration; and

a plurality of fasteners attaching said second stretched grid configuration of said uniplaner, non-woven grid to said frame through said attachment strips.

16.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 15, wherein said attachment strips are formed continuously.

17.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 15, wherein said attachment strips are formed intermittently.

18.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 15, further comprising an actuator operatively connected to at least one of said attachment strips, wherein said actuator moves said second stretched grid configuration between a first position and a second position.

19.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 18, wherein said actuator further comprises a bowden cable.

20.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 19, wherein said bowden cable has an unsheathed section connected at least one of said attachment strips and a sheathed section connected to said actuator.

21.(Currently Amended) A suspension article, comprising:

a frame;

a substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid having a first pre-stretched grid configuration and a second stretched grid configuration and comprising a plurality of closely-spaced primary members and points of intersection that are integrally formed with a pair of attachment strips, said closely-spaced primary members having a first pre-stretched configuration and a second stretched configuration corresponding with said first pre-stretched grid configuration and said second stretched grid configuration, respectively, and said attachment strips having a single pre-stretched border element configuration for said first pre-stretched grid configuration and said second stretched grid configuration; and

a plurality of fasteners attaching said second stretched grid configuration of said uniplaner, non-woven grid to said frame through said attachment strips; and-
an actuator operatively connected to at least one of said attachment strips, wherein said actuator further comprises a bowden cable, wherein said attachment strips are selected from a group of pre-stretched border element configurations consisting of a pre-stretched grid section, an embedded-wire section, a flat and wide section, and a J-strip section

22.(Currently Amended) A suspension article according to claim 21, wherein said frame is installed in a piece of furniture~~further comprising an actuator operatively connected to at least one of said attachment strips, wherein said actuator further comprises a bowden cable, wherein said attachment strips are selected from a group of pre-stretched border element configurations consisting of a pre-stretched grid section, an embedded wire section, a flat and wide section, and a J-strip section.~~

23.(Currently Amended) A suspension article, comprising:
a frame;
a substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid integrally formed with a pair of attachment strips, wherein each of said attachment strips is comprised of a pre-stretched border element, wherein said pre-stretched border element is an elastomeric grid section having a plurality of primary members and points of intersection therebetween;
an actuator operatively connected to at least one of said attachment strips; and
a plurality of fasteners attaching said uniplaner, non-woven grid to said frame through said attachment strips.

24.(Currently Amended) A suspension article according to claim 23, wherein said frame is installed in a piece of furniture~~further comprising an actuator operatively connected to at least one of said attachment strips.~~

25.(Previously Presented) A suspension article for providing support within a frame, comprising:

a substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid, wherein said grid is comprised of primary members and points of intersection, and wherein said grid has a first pre-stretched configuration and a second stretched configuration, said primary members being integrally formed with said points of intersection in said first pre-stretched configuration, said primary members being stretched lengthwise in said second stretched configuration; and

a pair of attachment strips integrally formed with and bordering said substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid, wherein said attachment strips are connected to said grid through said points of intersection and are selected from a group of pre-stretched border element configurations consisting of a pre-stretched grid section, an embedded-wire section, and a J-strip section.

26.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 25, wherein said attachment strips have substantially the same configuration in said second stretched configuration as when integrally formed with said substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid in said first pre-stretched configuration, and wherein said primary members are parallel in said first pre-stretched configuration and in said second stretched configuration.

27.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 25, further comprising an actuator operatively connected to at least one of said attachment strips, wherein said actuator moves said second stretched configuration between a first position and a second position.

28.(Previously Presented) A suspension article according to claim 25, further comprising a plurality of fasteners attaching said substantially uniplaner, non-woven grid to the frame through said attachment strips.